

REMARKS

Restriction Response

In the September 30, 2005 Office Action the Examiner entered a restriction requirement for the following inventions:

- I: Claims 1-25 drawn to a method of electrowinning copper, classified in class 205, subclass 574.
- II: Claims 26—37, drawn to a system for electrowinning copper, classified in class 204, subclass 275.1.

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect Group I, consisting of Claims 1-25, for further prosecution. The foregoing election is made without waiver, estoppel or without prejudice to the filing of one or more related applications directed to the subject matter of the cancelled claims.

Amendments

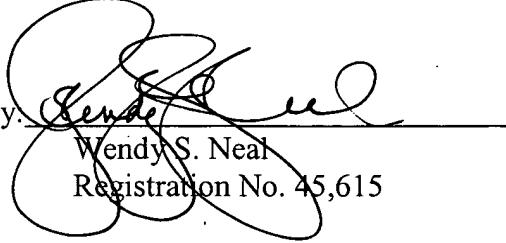
The foregoing amendments to the claims conform this application to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement as set forth in the September 30, 2005 Office Action. By the foregoing amendments, Claims 1-25 remain pending and Claims 26-37 have been cancelled. No new matter has been added by this Response. Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Reconsideration of the application is hereby requested.

Applicants have timely filed this response, which is due October 30, 2005. If any extension of time is required, however, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-2814. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the foregoing in further detail, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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